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27 October 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Foreign Intelligence

SUBJECT: Project AEBARNAB/AMORAL (continued)

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
SOURCE/METHOD/EXEMPTION 3B2B
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
DATE 2007

1. PURPOSE: Through a Joint CIA-SIS Center in Frankfurt, to develop and exploit the assets of the National Alliance of Solidarists (NAS), an anti-Soviet émigré organization; and to obtain operational, positive, and psychological intelligence through the maintenance of communications with NAS agents inside the USSR. Some of these agents may be developed as long-term hot war assets.
2. PERSONNEL: The Joint Center is in contact with 15 NAS agents inside the USSR. Communication is largely by S/W but A/I exists in a few cases. A number of the NAS agents have been imprisoned and later released. It is known that some agents are, and believe that other agents may be, NAS controlled. SMABA/166, the NAS Deputy Chief of Internal USSR Operations, is responsible for handling contacts with NAS agents. SMABA/166 previously worked for three years under FR Project AEBARNAB and is considered an imaginative, resourceful, and long-headed intelligence operative. He has shown a willingness to accept guidance from his CIA and SIS case officer. SMABA/166 resides in the NAS covert headquarters outside of Frankfurt. He works under the cover of being a member of a foreign publications review unit.
3. FRST APPROVALS:

Action	Office	Period	Authorization
Approval (AEBARNAB)	AM/30	1 July 51-30 June 52	\$30,000
Renewal	AG/PI	1 July 52-30 June 53	Sufficient funds available
Approval (AEBARNAB/AMORAL)	CCP	1 July 53-30 June 54	45,500
Extension	C/PI	1 July 54-30 Sept. 54	10,000
Extension	C/PI	1 Oct. 54-31 Dec. 54	30,000
Extension	C/PI	1 Jan. 55-31 Mar. 55	6,700
Extension	C/PI	1 April 55-30 June 55	6,700

The four extensions listed immediately above cover the period during which conferences were held between CIA and SIS which resulted in the revision of Project AEBARNAB into a joint CIA-SIS operation. All CIA was expended on this project.

4. Comments: Project AEBARNAB is a FR project with FI assets which are handled under separate Project AEBARNAB/AMORAL and AEBARNAB/AMORAL. Under Project AEBARNAB two agent training cycles were completed and 11 NAS agents dispatched

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into the USSR. A third training cycle is planned to start in the next months of 1955.

As a result of conferences held between CIA and SIS in the past year each has been made aware of the others assets within USSR. It has been agreed to establish a joint CIA-SIS center in Frankfurt to coordinate all KIS traffic with existing and future internal USSR operations. Future training of KIS agents is to be carried out at a base located in the United Kingdom. This renewal provides for the requirements of agents already inside the USSR and for preliminary development and assessment of new agent candidates. The Project will be amended to provide for CIA's share of future endeavours.

3. EVALUATION:

- a. An informal check of ASH/AB's records shows that 27 reports were disseminated between July 1954 and May 1955 that were credited to this Project. These reports dealt with a variety of subjects including Soviet penal camps, crop and food conditions, military installations, industrial plants, and vehicular numbers. Several reports were considered of value by customers and one report on penicillin production was evaluated of considerable value by OSI.
- b. The Headquarters Desk reports that one agent who is known to be KIS controlled has provided a valuable study in KIS techniques as well as a surprising amount of reliable, medium level intelligence.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: Renewed for the period 1 July 1955 through 30 June 1956 with authorization to obligate \$13,000 from the IS/F - SI Division budget for the current fiscal year.

Breakdown:	Compensation - Three agents - SHAW/302, 603, and 610 - have \$200 per month deposited in holding accounts while they are on their missions.	47,200
	Travel of staff employees for agent recruitment, conferences with SIS, and for purposes of periodic review of agent cases. This includes travel to and from the U.S.	8,000
	Operational entertainment	300
	Administrative costs	2,500

Approved: ☐

Chief, SI

Reviewed, []
31 Oct 55
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Staff Cooperation:

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